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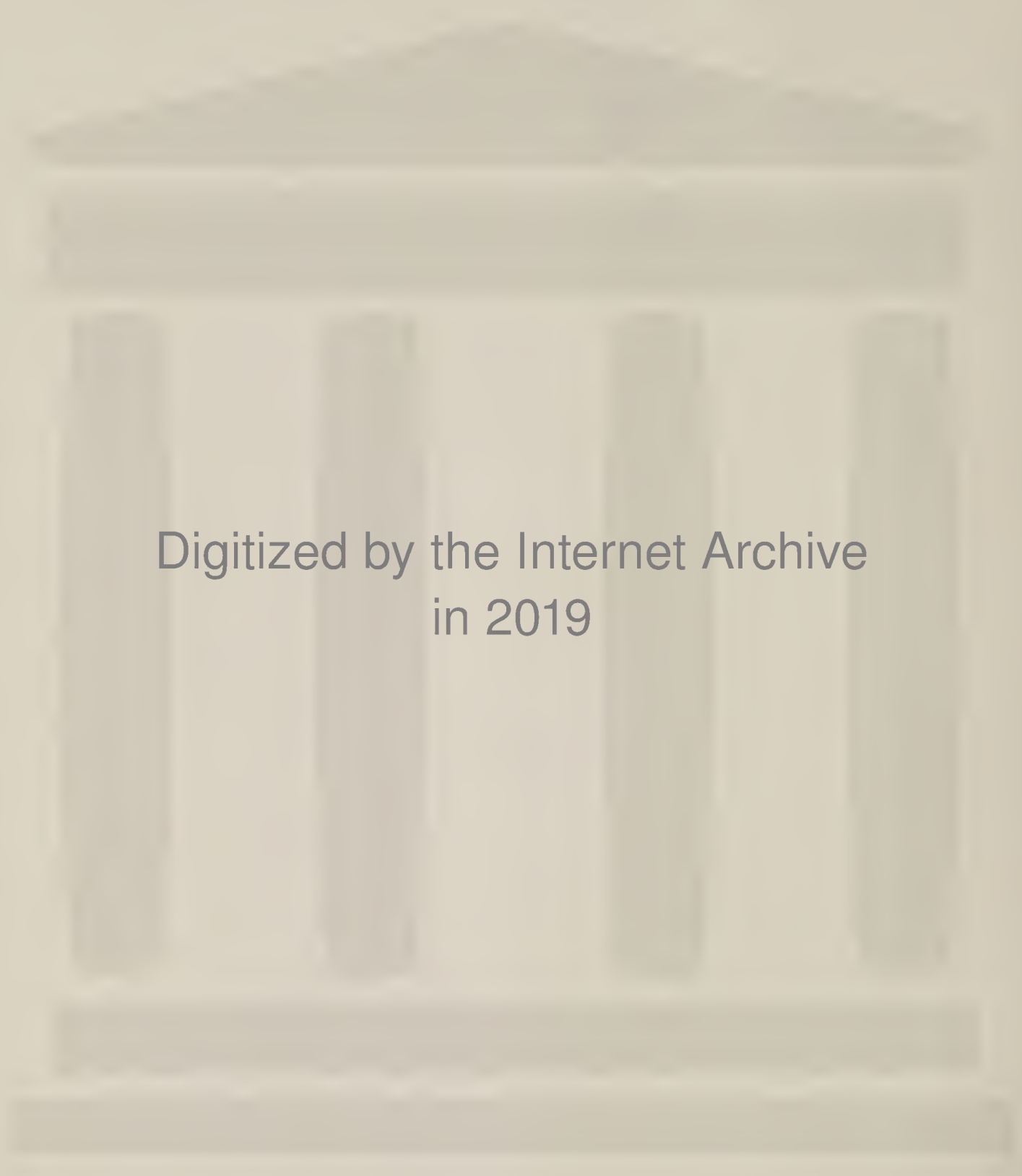
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THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARY Mc GARDLESS WALKER
WHO EMIGRATED FROM SCOTLAND IN 1792 or 1793

With reference to the following family names:

ADAMS	HIXON
BENSON	JARRETT
CHAPMAN	KEITH
CRABTREE	(de) LACEY
CROCKETT	LIGHTFOOT
DAVIS	Mc DIAL
EDENBURN	MEREDITH
EDWARDS	REA
GIL. de ROMAN	WRAY
HASTINGS	YOUNG

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and made it possible to trace the John Walker family from the time it came to the United States at the end of the Revolutionary War until the present time.

There are some unfilled gaps and some overlaps in information but they will have to remain because they cannot be corrected or filled in. We have sought information wherever we thought it could be obtained but it was not available.

Because of the recurrence of the name John in four of the five generations in the United States we have added the designation 1, 2, 3 or 4. These do not appear in any record and are added solely for clarity.

The reader is referred to both the chart showing only the writers' direct connection and also the listing of the families by generations. These should be read concurrently with this manuscript.

Tradition has John #1, his wife, Mary, nee McCandless (or McCardess) and two children leaving Scotland in 1792 or 1793 for the United States. These children were a boy, Samuel and an unidentified child who died on the boat trip. That they landed at Philadelphia is another tradition but we are unable to get any information from the Immigration Service at Philadelphia.

They seem to have moved several times, each time westward, between the time they landed and 1817 when we have definite proof they were in Ohio. Tradition again has them in central and western Pennsylvania and after the War of 1812 in what is now West Virginia.

The records of the Benson family, who married into the Walker family give the date of 1794 as the date of John #2's birth and the place as Pennsylvania. The 1870 United States Census of Marion County, Iowa shows John #2 as being 64 (making him born in 1806) and the place of birth as Ohio. We are unable to confirm the family in Ohio that early and are inclined to believe this is an error.

Margaret, the fourth child of John #1, married Jacob Leuty in Ross County, Ohio, September 26, 1817. Records in the County Recorder's office at Chillicothe show that John #1 bought property in Ohio in 1817. These facts refute the story of them not arriving in Ohio until 1820.

A book, "Pioneer Records of Ross County, Ohio" in the library of the State Historical Building, Des Moines, Iowa, lists a John Walker as a merchant in that County in 1827. This is on page 67 in the book. On page 54 of the same book it states that a John Walker was a blacksmith and also built one of the first mills in the township.

Family tradition had the family leaving Bainbridge, Ohio in 1842 or 1843 for Iowa in company with a large group of neighbors.

This appears to be an error because John #3 was born in Bainbridge October 8, 1843.

Unson family history has this group leaving Ohio in 1849. This seems to be right because John #2 bought property in Marion County, Iowa from the government land office at Fort Des Moines on September 8, 1850. They could have come a year earlier and took time to look around or they could have just arrived and immediately bought land. Several other members of the group from Ohio are listed as buying property at about the same time.

They settled in the vicinity of the now extinct town of Rousseau on the Des Moines River north of Knoxville. Rousseau, according to Marion County records, was platted April 25, 1846 "but was settled before then".

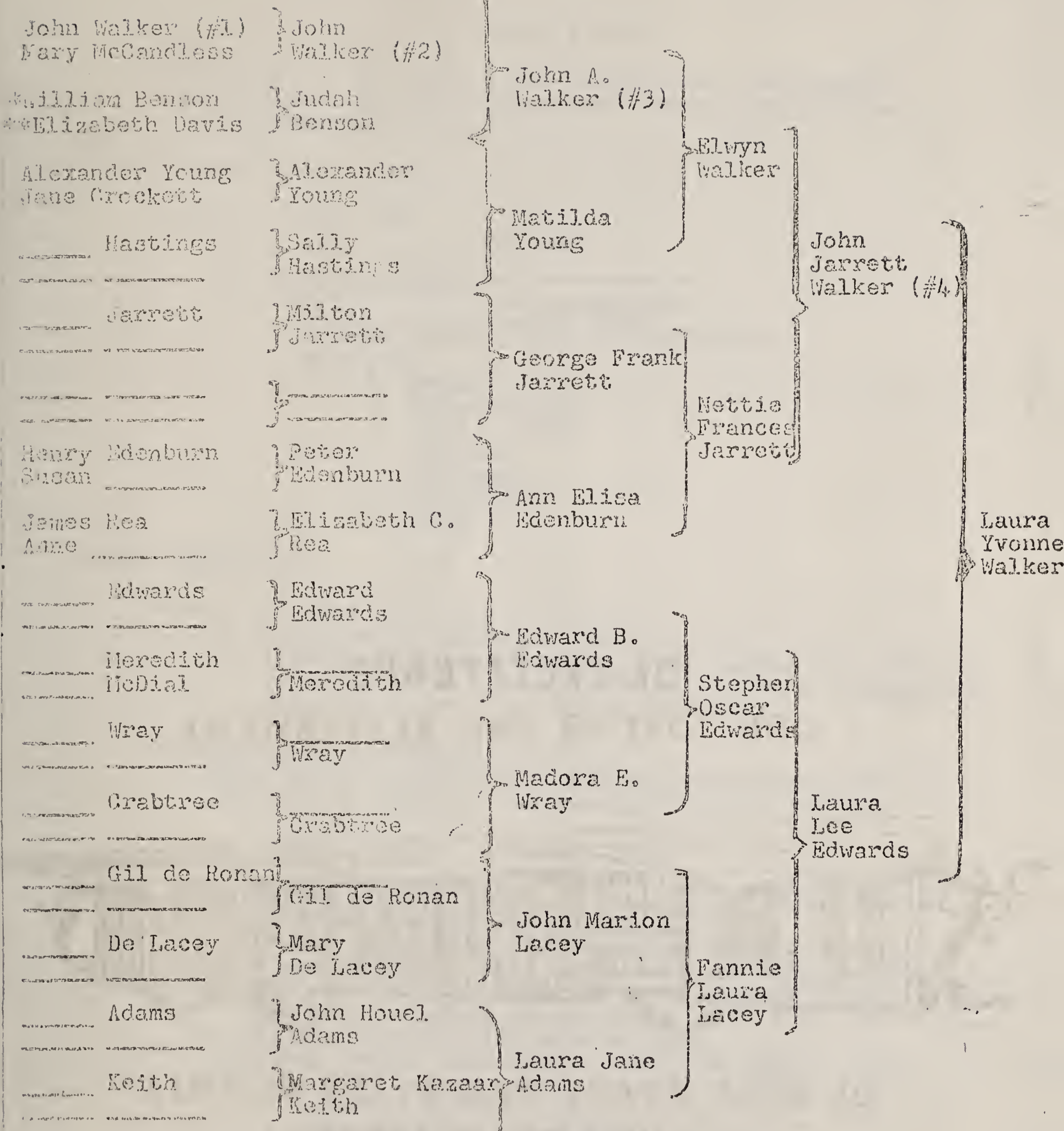
In an atlas of Marion County, Iowa published in 1875, John #3 is listed as Merchant, Postmaster and Ferryman. It states that he came to Iowa in 1852. This seems to be an error because his father bought property in two locations in Marion County in 1850 and 1851.

John #5 was married in 1872 and stayed at Rousseau until 1886 when the family moved to Des Moines.

Fred moved to Oregon, Burt moved to Omaha and Elwyn (father of John #6) stayed in Des Moines.

John #4 married Laura Edwards and they have one daughter, Laura Yvonne.

Laura Yvonne, married Donald R. Chapman and they have two children, Richard Michael and Patti Lee.



* Judah Lightfoot was the mother of William Benson.
 ** Solomon Davis and Hixon were the parents of Elizabeth Davis.

WALKER FAMILY

(The numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 are assigned to the various John Walkers for identification. They do not appear in the records.)

FIRST GENERATION

John A. Walker (#1)

b. _____ Scotland

d. _____

m. Mary McCandless

b. _____ Scotland

d. Ross County, Ohio in the 1820's

children:

1. Samuel
2. Unnamed child
3. John A. (#2)
4. Margaret
5. William
6. Elizabeth
7. Nancy

SECOND GENERATION

Samuel (#1 above)

b. Scotland (?) June 18, 1790

d. Apparently Marion County, Iowa, August 19, 1870 and reported to be buried in Teter Cemetery although no stone is there. No record of family.

Unnamed child (#2 above)

This child was buried at sea by its parents while on the way to America. No record of age at death.

John A. (#2) (#3 above)

b. _____ Pennsylvania _____ 1794

d. Marion County, Iowa _____ 1874. Buried in Teter Cemetery.

Census records of 1870 show him as 64 and place of birth as Ohio. This would make him born in 1806 and must be considered an error because family history has the family in Pennsylvania until 1816 and Western Virginia until they came to Ohio.

m. Judah Benson (see Benson family at end of text)

b. Ross County, Ohio, October 29, 1820

d. Marion County, Iowa _____ 1874.

Buried Teter Cemetery.

children:

1. John A. (#3)
2. Mary
3. Samuel

Margaret (#4 above)

b. _____ Pennsylvania _____ 1796
d. _____

Believed to be buried in Teter Cemetery.

m. Jacob Leuty in Ross County, Ohio, September 26, 1817

b. _____ Virginia, December 12, 1796

d. Ross County, Ohio, February 12, 1838

No further record of their family here. (At the time this manuscript is being compiled there is also being compiled a history of the Walker, Leuty, Benson families with more emphasis on the Leutys and Bensons than appear here. It is suggested that the reader also consult this history. It is our understanding that this manuscript will be deposited at the State Historical Building at Des Moines, Iowa, the State Historical Society at Iowa City and the Public Library at Knoxville, Iowa.)

William (#5 above)

b. _____ November 1, 1798

d. Marion County, Iowa, November 29, 1859. Buried Teter Cemetery.

m. Mary Peter, April 7, 1832

son:

Elija

b. _____

d. 1852. Buried Teter Cemetery.

Elizabeth (#6 above)

b. _____

d. _____

m. March 29, 1821 to Christopher Crozier in Ross County, Ohio.
children:

1. William

2. Mary Jane (married Jacob Bruce)

3. James Harvey b. March 5, 1825

4. Robert

5. Elizabeth Anne (married M. Wood)

6. Sarah Ann (married Amos Teter)

7. John Ramsey b. February 26, 1829

Nancy (#7 above)

b. _____

1805

d. Marion County, Iowa, October 4, 1855. Buried Teter Cemetery.

m. William Kent in Ross County, Ohio, March 25, 1830

b. _____ March 1, 1802

d. Marion County, Iowa, April 8, 1876

children:

1. John
b. September 19, 1831
d. April 17, 1918
never married
2. Sarah Jane
b. September 26, 1833
d. May 10, 1918
m. Samuel Amos
3. Mary Margaret
b. January 29, 1837
d. September 1, 1908
m. John Lum
4. Nancy
b. July 9, 1840
d. August 21, 1904
m. J. W. Topping
5. Elizabeth
- died young
6. Rebecca Dill
b. July 2, 1843
d. January 20, 1923
m. James C. Jarman

THIRD GENERATION

John A. (#3)

b. Ross County, Ohio, October 3, 1843
d. Corvallis, Oregon, November 24, 1931. Buried
Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa
m. Matilda Young (see Young family at end of text)
children:

1. Elwyn
2. Fred Layton
3. Burton Elbert

Mary

b. Ross County, Ohio, April 15, 1840
d. Marion County, Iowa, May 13, 1926. Buried Indiana Cemetery,
Attica, Iowa
m. John Free
b. September 16, 1829
d. Marion County, Iowa, March 31, 1906. Buried Indiana
Cemetery, Attica, Iowa
no children

Samuel

- b. Ross County, Ohio, July 9, 1842
- d. Marion County, Iowa, December 10, 1850. Buried Teter Cemetery. He was accidentally killed when he stepped in front of gun while father was hunting.

FOURTH GENERATION

Elwyn

- b. Marion County, Iowa, December 31, 1872
- d. Des Moines, Iowa, May 18, 1948. Buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa
- m. Nettie Frances Jarrett, June 12, 1900 in Des Moines, Iowa (see Jarrett family at end of text)
 - b. Des Moines, Iowa, August 4, 1872
 - d. Des Moines, Iowa, February 19, 1949. Buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa
- son:
 - John Jarrett (#4)

Fred Layton

- b. Marion County, Iowa
- d. Seattle, Washington
- m. Winnifred Marshall
 - b. _____
 - d. _____
- daughter:
 - Mary Dorothy
 - b. Des Moines, Iowa
 - d. Oakland, California, 1946
- m. (2nd) Mary Vernal Walker
 - b. _____
 - d. Portland, Oregon, 1940
- children:
 - 1. Patricia (Ackerman)
 - b. May 17, 1928
 - 2. Robert Earl
 - b. September 7, 1932

Burton Elbert

- b. _____
- d. Omaha, Nebraska _____ 1932 or 1933
- m. Della _____ and divorced
- children:
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____

Supposed to have married a second time in Omaha, Nebraska

SIXTH GENERATION

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John Jarrett Walker (#4)

b. Des Moines, Iowa, May 28, 1905

d.

m. Laura Lee Edwards, February 24, 1926 in Des Moines, Iowa.
(see Edwards family at end of text)

b. Neodesha, Kansas, November 30, 1904

daughter:

Laura Yvonne

b. Chicago, Illinois, June 29, 1927

d.

m. Donald Rex Chapman, November 25, 1947
in Des Moines, Iowa

children:

1. Richard Michael

b. August 31, 1949, Des Moines, Iowa

2. Patti Lee

b. July 2, 1954, Des Moines, Iowa

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Benson family as it ties in

Benson and Judah Lightfoot were the parents of
William Benson.

Solomon Davis and Sarah Hixon were the parents of Elizabeth
Davis.

William Benson

b. Kentucky, May 14, 1798

d. Marion County, Iowa, June 5, 1860. Buried Teter Cemetery.

m. Elizabeth Davis, August 11, 1818

b. May 2, 1801 in Virginia

d. Marion County, Iowa, December 1, 1853. Buried Teter
Cemetery.

children:

1. Rachel

b. Ohio, January 16, 1819

d. Ohio, April 21, 1865

m. William Neuland

2. Judah

b. Ohio, October 29, 1820

d. Iowa 1874

m. John Walker #2

3. Leah
 - b. Ohio, October 7, 1822
 - d. Iowa, January 29, 1880
 - m. John Patterson
4. Mary
 - b. Ohio, December 15, 1824
 - d. Iowa, April 8, 1908
 - m. William Leuty
5. Nancy
 - b. Ohio, December 3, 1826
 - d. Iowa, January 1, 1890
 - m. Elijah S. Hurd
6. Alfred
 - b. Ohio, November 28, 1828
 - d. Iowa, December 5, 1860
 - m. Nancy Kerr
7. Margaret
 - b. Ohio, May 31, 1831
 - d. Iowa, September 26, 1890
 - m. Joseph Free
8. Sarah Ann
 - b. Ohio, July 3, 1833
 - d. Iowa, July 23, 1910
 - m. 1. William Miller
 - 2. Charles Evans
9. Elijah
 - b. Ohio, October 4, 1835
 - d. Missouri, February 19, 1874
 - m. Nancy Kerr
10. Solomon
 - b. Ohio, September 20, 1837
 - d. Iowa, February 21, 1904
 - m. Catherine Jarman
11. Elizabeth
 - b. Ohio, February 8, 1840
 - d. Iowa, April 2, 1909
 - m. William E. Hyer
12. William
 - b. Ohio, February 16, 1842
 - d. Columbus, Kentucky, February 27, 1863
 - while serving in the Northern Army.

13. Milton

b. Ohio, February 4, 1844

d. Ohio, June 15, 1845

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Young family as it ties in

Alexander Young (#1) who was born on a boat coming from Ireland and Jane Crockett who died in Guernsey County, Ohio in 1851 were the parents of Alexander Young (#2)

Hastings who was born in County Down, Ireland, settled in Winchester, Virginia, moved to Guernsey County, Ohio and died there in 1846 and were the parents of Sally Hastings.

Alexander Young (#2)

b. Guernsey County, Ohio _____ 1805

d. Guernsey County, Ohio _____ 1862

m. Sally Hastings

b. _____

d. _____ March 14, 1863

Children:

1. Melancthon Elmer

b. September 10, 1835, Guernsey County, Ohio

d. Des Moines, Iowa, September _____ 1910

2. Milton

3. Baxter

4. Jimmie

5. John A.

6. Matilda (who married John Walker (#3))

Jarrett family as it ties in

George Frank Jarrett was born in North Carolina, June 15, 1842 (according to family records but 1846 according to the 1870 census).

d. Des Moines, Iowa, November 22, 1925. Buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

m. June 13, 1869, Ann Edenburn (see Edenburn family at end of text)

b. Ohio, February 5, 1848

d. Des Moines, January 30, 1902. Buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

children:

1. Elizabeth, who married Jacob F. Marshall
b. January 19, 1870
d. April 15, 1959
2. Nettie Frances, who married Elwyn Walker

Edenburn family as it ties in

FIRST GENERATION

Henry Edenburn and Susan _____ were the parents of

1. Peter
2. Ruth (Combs) b. _____ 1822, d. September 1, 1854
Buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa
3. John, b. August 30, 1828
4. Nancy (Snider) b. April 16, 1826, d. August 5, 1857
5. Sylvanus, b. April 1, 1833

James Rea and Anne _____ were the parents of
Elizabeth C. Rea.

SECOND GENERATION

Peter Edenburn (#1 above)

b. Pennsylvania, May 22, 1819

d. _____

m. Elizabeth C. Rea

b. Ohio, September 7, 1830

d. Ohio, May 1, 1868

children:

1. Ann Elisa, who married Frank Jarrett
2. James) d. _____
(twins, b. March 21, 1850
3. Henry) d. May 6, 1851
4. Nancy, b. September 30, 1855, d. April 18, 1875
5. Sylvanus, b. April 2, 1859, d. September 10, 1883
6. Loreta, b. November 27, 1866, d. December 5, 1866
7. Elenora, b. March 28, 1868, d. June 3, 1893

All buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

Edwards family as it ties in

FIRST GENERATION

Edward Edwards and Elizabeth Meredith whose mother was a Mc Dial of Dublin, Ireland, were the parents of

1. Edward B.
2. Steve
3. John
4. Emma
5. Sarah
6. Charles

Edward Edwards married a second time and had five other children.

SECOND GENERATION

Edward B. (#1 above)

b. West Virginia (then western Virginia) 1857

d. Des Moines, Iowa, October 11, 1925, buried Glendale Cemetery

m. Madora E. Wray, February 3, 1876, Lawrence County, Ohio

- b. Scioto County, Ohio, April 20, 1856

d. Vesuvius Station (near Ironton), Ohio, November 20, 1886

children:

1. Stella
2. Sara Elizabeth
3. Stephen Oscar
4. Maude
5. George Edgar
6. Harry

THIRD GENERATION

Stephen Oscar (#3 above)

b. Vesuvius Station (near Ironton) Lawrence County, Ohio,
March 23, 1879

d. Des Moines, Iowa, August 19, 1958. Buried Highland Memory
Gardens, Des Moines, Iowa

m. Fannie Laura Lacey, August 9, 1902, Girard, Kansas
(see Lacey family at end of text)

b. Morod, Missouri, May 24, 1884

d. Maynard, Arkansas, July 3, 1943

children:

1. Violet Gladys
2. Laura Lee
3. Stephen Orville

FOURTH GENERATION

Laura Lee Edwards (#2 above)

b. Neodesha, Kansas, November 30, 1904

m. Des Moines, Iowa, February 24, 1926, John J. Walker

child:

1. Laura Yvonne

FIFTH GENERATION

Laura Yvonne Walker

b. Chicago, Illinois, June 29, 1927

m. Donald Rex Chapman, November 25, 1947

children:

1. Richard Michael, b. August 31, 1949, Des Moines, Iowa

2. Patti Lee, b. July 2, 1954, Des Moines, Iowa

Lacey family as it ties in

FIRST GENERATION

Gil de Ronan of St. Ronan's Well, in the Parish of Peebleshire, Scotland married Mary de Lacey. To this marriage was born a son: John Marion.

SECOND GENERATION

John Marion Gil de Ronan of County Cavan, Ireland
(who used the name John Marion Lacey in America)

b. Ireland, May 1, 1857

d. Mulberry, Kansas, May 24, 1929

m. Laura Jane Adams (see Adams family at end of text)

children:

1. Melvin

2. Fannie Laura

3. Hugh

4. Jess

5. Bess

6. Jackie

7. Leo

THIRD GENERATION

Fannie Laura (#2 above)

b. Morod, Missouri, May 24, 1884

d. Maynard, Arkansas, July 3, 1943

m. Stephen Oscar Edwards, August 9, 1902, Girard, Kansas

children:

1. Violet Gladys

2. Laura Lee, who married John Jarrett Walker

3. Stephen Orville

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Adams family as it ties in

FIRST GENERATION

John Howell Adams

b. Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, 1832

m. Margaret Kassar Keith
children: .

1. Fannie
2. Laura Jane
3. Ellen
4. William

SECOND GENERATION

Laura Jane (#2 above)

b. Laclede, Missouri, April 29, 1867

d. ~~September 2, 1941~~ September 2, 1941

